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NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

ALL THESE PEOPLE, by Rupert B. Vance. University of North Carolina Press, 1946. 503p. 280.002 V27

Against the changing conditions of our times, this "volume takes a long time view of the population trends of the Nation and the South. To what extent is the Nation's population likely to maintain itself in the future? What is the position of the South—the seed bed of the Nation—with the highest birth rate, the lowest income and the greatest rate of migration in the country? To what extent does the Nation possess unrealized human resources in the South and how can they be developed in terms of health, education, skill, and future leadership? How can we best employ our human resources in the agrarian economy and how are they making the transition to the new industrial order in the South? Finally, what social policies should we adopt for the conservation and development of our human resources after the war? What is to be our national population policy and how does the South fit in? ... These questions and many others are explored and the factual basis on which they must be answered is presented." This book might well be considered a companion volume to Howard W. Odum's Southern Regions of the United States.

THE ART OF PLAIN TALK, by Rudolf Flesch. Harper, 1946. 210p. 200.4 F63 Ed.2

"The Art of Plain Talk is a very practical book for those who write for others. Intended primarily for teachers, librarieans and research workers, other groups also will profit by a study of this very readable book on how to write plain English. In fact, it's a book for the layman as well as the professional writer. The author gives concrete suggestions on ways and means of making your thoughts understood when writing for others.

The diplomats, grammarians, and those who write "official gobbledygook" or government orders, are all panned for their dull and often unintelligible use of the English language.

Most of us have occasion to write in seme form or other, and this book will help us to improve our thought communications. You will not want to put aside this book once you start reading it." Comment by Erwin C. Ford, Agricultural Statistician, Bureau of Agricultural Economics, Little Rock, Agricultural.

A CHINESE VILLAGE, by Martin C. Yang. Columbia University Press, 1945. 275p. 281.2 Yl

The subject of this full, richly detailed study is a typical village in one of China's oldest agricultural districts -- Taitou, Shantung Province. The author writes with skill and candor of the life of its people -- the family life and

village disputes, crop planting, children's games, and other aspects of rural life. This work, a happy blending of intimate knowledge and scientific accuracy, is the first of its kind to tie together the various phases of rural life in China in a thoroughly coherent story. For the general reader it provides a new understanding of China's culture, and for the social scientist presents not only basic information for the planning of a more effective rural rehabilitation program in China, but a fine example of a new approach by which methods of cultural anthropology are brought to bear on an agricultural community. Dr. M. L. Wilson, Director of Extension Service, states that "Dr. Yang's book is important to all workers in the field of agriculture."

COME OVER INTO MACEDONIA, by Harold B. Allen. Rutgers University Press, 1943. 313p. 281.176 AL5

This great story of Harold B. Allen's ten years in Macedonia, from 1928 to 1938, is the record of a venture in philanthropy in collaboration with an impoverished and disrupted people which should be "must" reading for those who would seek to serve backward rural populations in any land. It is shot through/uncommon sense of the practical, the realistic, the essential in the habilitation toward endurable living of a population thrown back by calamity and adversity to a bare subsistence. This is a blusprint of the achieving of order out of the chaos of war-through farm land formed to more productive use, the elimination of swamps and malaria, the improvement of herds, the building of water fountains, the proper feeding of babies, the erection of play yards, clinics and home demonstration centers.

THE EARTH AS MODIFIED BY HUMAN ACTION, by G. P. Marsh. Scribner's, 1907. 629p. 331 M35E

This old book, first issued in 1874, was recently listed by Dr. William R. Van Dersal as one of the classics in the field of soil conservation literature. You will find in it some rare and some fascinating discussions.

GARDEN PLANNING AND BUILDING, by H. S. Ortloff and H. B. Raymore. American Garden Guild, Inc. and Doubleday, Doran, 1945. 282p. 98 0r8

This is a good book for a person who wants his garden expertly planned and who wants the satisfaction of doing it himself. The authors have placed the emphasis on methods of construction of the permanent garden features, telling the property owner how to locate his house; how to plan and build drives, paths, and terraces; how to arrange and make gardens and borders; how to design and construct a pool or pond; how to build walls, steps, or embankments that will be both good looking and lasting.

GOD MADE THE COUNTRY, by E. T. Booth. Knopf, 1946. 330p. 281.2 B643
Louis Bromfield said, in the New York Times Book Review, "This book is the history of those great writers, from Hesiod to Tolstoy, who found satisfaction in rural life and release for their genius. It is a charming book, written with erudition and distinction, and it is delightful reading for almost anyone.

...It touches that instinct for nature which exists in all but the most calloused city dwellers."

LONGLEAF PINE, by W. G. Wahlenberg. Charles Lathrop Pack Forestry Foundation, 1946. 429p. 99.35 W12

H. S. Graves said in the foreword, "Longleaf Pine... is a contribution of exceptional significance to the literature of American forestry. It is a

comprehensive monograph, bringing together and interpreting such pertinent information as exists regarding one of the most important species of trees in the United States. ... The author indicates that the primary purpose of the treatise is to aid the timber grower. Certainly it will serve as an invaluable guide to the landowner and timber operator, as well as the technical forester. The work clearly reveals the character, variability, and complexities of silviculture of longleaf pine."

TOMORROW'S TRADE: PROBLEMS OF OUR FOREIGN COMMERCE, by Stuart Chase. Twentieth Century Fund, 1945. 156p. 286 C38

In this fifth in the series of guide lines to America's future as reported to the Twentieth Century Fund, Mr. Chase conducts a simple and exciting tour through the rugged, difficult terrain of foreign commerce. He brings the subject to the level of everyday interests, and lights up the whole discussion with many flashes like his "common sense formula": The stuff we produce, as a nation, Plus the stuff we import, Less the stuff we export, Is a measure of our standard of living.

THE WORLD'S HUNGER, by Frank A. Pearson and Floyd A. Harper: Cornell University Press, 1945. 90p. 389 P313W

This book was written primarily for those interested in the world food problem. It is not a compendium of geological, biological, physiological, and meteorological knowledge, but an attempt has been made to relate this technical material to the world food problem so that it can be understood by the ordinary reader. The chapter headings are: Production, trade and consumption; Moisture and temperature; Land forms and soils; Increasing production on the present acerage; Food from the water; Food and population problems.

#### PACKETS

The library has packets of bulletins on the following subjects:

DDT Landscaping Soils Frozen Foods

For subjects of packets previously listed, see Newsletters for July 1944 and October 1944. If you have had those older packets and would like to see any bulletins on the subjects that might have been received since 1944, we shall be glad to send them to you.

#### SELECTED BOOKS AND BULLETINS

# Agricultural Economics

- "Cropland Use and Soil Fertility Practice in War and Peace," by D. B. Ibach.
  BAE, January 1946. 58p. 1.941 L6F22
- "Farm Production in War and Peace," by G. T. Barton and M. R. Cooper. BAE, December 1945. 85p. 1.941 L6P22
- "Foed Grains and Meat Animals in War and Peace," by C. W. Crickman. BAE, November 1945. 55p. 1.941 L6F22
- "Wheat Production in War and Peace," by C. P. Heisig and others. BAE, May 1945.
- "World Trends in Major Oil Crops," by P. L. Hansen. BAE, March 1946. 62p. 1.941 L6F22

# Agricultural Engineering

- "Clearing Land of Small Growth." Agr. Res. Admin. 5p. 1.9 R5311
- "FSA's Experience in the Construction of Cotton Houses, Region V." Montgomery, Ala,, FSA. November 16, 1944. 6p. 1.9505 F11
- "Farm Irrigation Structures," by C. N. Johnston. Calif. Agr. Expt. Sta. Cir. 362. June 1945. 59p. 100 C12S 362
- "Farm Wiring Guide." General Electric Company, 1945. 52p.
- "Field Drainage and Water Disposal Systems: Their Repair and Maintenance," by J. G. Sutton. SCS, Feb. 6, 1946. 8p. 1.96 Op2Sut
- "Improving the Distribution of Water to Farmers by Use of the Parshall Measuring Flume," by K. L. Parshall. Colo. Agr. Expt. Sta. Bul. 488. May 1945. 54p. 100 C71S 488
- "Planning Your Farmstead Wiring and Lighting." USDA Misc. Pub. No. 597. 31p. 1 Ag84M 597
- "Water for the Modern Farmstead." USDA AIS-44. 1946. 4p. 1 Ag84Ai 44.

#### Agronomy

- "Corn Variety and Hybrid Tests at the El Paso Valley Substation, 1943-1945," by P. J. Lyerly, Tex. Agr. Expt. Sta. Progress Report 997. April 2, 1946. 2p. 100 T31P 997
- "Cotton Varieties in the Hill Section of Mississippi, 1945," by J. F. O'Kelly. Miss. Agr. Expt. Sta. Bul. 426. December 1945. 7p. 100 169 426
- "Dry Land Pasture Experiments at the Central Montana Branch Station, Moccasin, Montana," by R. M. Williams and A. H. Post. Mont. Agr. Expt. Sta. Bul. 431. October 1945. 31p. 100 M76 431
- "Fruiting and Shedding of Cotton in Relation to Light and Other Limiting Factors," by A. A. Dunlap. Tex. Agr. Expt. Sta. Bul. No. 677. December 1945. 104p. 100 T31S 677

# Family Life

- "Doorways to Religion in Family Living." The Woman's Foundation, 1945. 32p.
- "Gainfully Employed Women and the Home." The Woman's Foundation, 1945. 15p.
- "Improved Family Living Through Improved Housing." The Woman's Foundation, 1945.
- "The Place of the Family in American Life." The Woman's Foundation, 1945. 16p.

# Feeds and Feeding

- "Fattening Lambs in Montana," by R. T. Clark and others. Mont. Agr. Expt. Sta. Bul. 433. December 1945. 34p. 100 M76 433
- "Gains of Steers on Wheat, Native and Reseeded Pasturage," by J. W. Walton and others. Tex. Agr. Expt. Sta. Progress Report 999. "pril 29, 1946. 4p. 100 T31P 999
- "Progress Reports: Feeding Tests With Sheep, Swine, and Beef Cattle, 1945-1946,"

by C. P. Thompson. Okla. Agr. Expt. Sta. Bul. No. 296. April 1946. 46p. 100 Okla 296.

#### Fertilizers

- "A Dictionary of Fertilizer Laterials and Terms." Coke Oven Ammonia Research
  Bureau, 1945. 37p. Reprint file.
- "The Economics of the Potash Industry," by Jules Backman. American Potash Institute, Inc., 1946. 55p.

#### Food

- "Cakes, Cookies: Recipes for Different Altitudes," by W. E. Pyke and M. Brown. Colo. Agr. Col. Extension Bul. 387-A. January 1946. 36p. 275.29 C71
- "Sugar Savers," by E. Davis. Wash. Agr. Col. Ext. Mimeo. No. 332. 16p. 275.29
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#### Forestry '

- "Care of Trees: How to Revive Feeble or Sickly Trees," by W. R. Mattoon.
  U. S. Forest Service. 2p. 1.962 A2018
- "Cooking Over the Camp-Fire." U. S. Forest Service. July 1945. 24p. 1.962
- "Cutting Immature Oak Timber Sacrifices Quality Increment." Lake States Forest Expt. Stal Tech. Note. No. 253. lp. 1.9 F7625T 253
- "Directions for Fertilizing Shade Trees," by Curtis May. ARA, Sept. 25, 1945. 2p. 1.965 F3D62
- "Farmer Jones' Timber Crop." USDA AIS-35. April 1946. 14p. 1 Ag84Ai 35
- "Forests and Foods," by J. A. Hall. U. S. Forest Service. 8p. 1.962 F3F76
- "Important Range Publications Available for Distribution." U. S. Forest Service, Sept. 17, 1945. 6p. 1.962 R3Im7
- Hote; The library does not have publications for distribution. However, most of the publications listed herein are available on library loan.
- "Outlets for Wood Waste: A General Statement of Actual and Potential Uses of Various Kinds of Wood Waste." Forest Products Laboratory. Revised August 1945. 25p. 1.9 F761R &4
- "A Quick Method of Estimating Cull in Northern Hardwood Stands." Lake States
  Forest Expt. Sta. Tech. Note 255. lp. 1.9 F7625T 255
- "Wood Flour." Forest Products Laboratory. Revised June 1945. 19p. 1.9 F761R

# Home Making

- "Fitting Garments," by M. Merrifield. Okla. Agr. Col. Ext. Cir. 416. 28p. 275.29 Oklic 416
- "Homemade Playthings and Materials to Promote Success in Routine Activities," by M. B. Fowler. Cornell Agr. Col. Ext. Bul. 360. Oct. 1936. Reprinted May 1945. 31p. 275.29 N43E '360
- "Selecting and Making Curtains," by A. Sundquist. Wash. Agr. Col. Ext. Mimeo. 318. 275.29 W27Mim

### Plant Pests

- "Borers in Fruit Trees," by C. G. Lincoln. Ark. Agr. Col Ext. Cir. No. 439.

  8p. 275.29 Art 439
- "Control of the Rice Water Weevil by Drainage," by D. Isely and C. Lincoln. Ark. Agr. Col. Ext. Cir. No. 442. Har. 1946. 7p. 275.29 Art 442
- "The Southwestern Corn Borer," by C. E. Stiles and E. Hixson. Okla: Agr. Col. Ext. Cir. 424. 4p. 275.29 Oklic 424

# Writing

- "A Guide to Writing For Soil Conservation Service Writers," by W. C. Pryor. SCS. Revised Nov. 1945. 7p. 1.96 R27Gu
- "How Does Your Writing Read?" U. S. Civil Service Commission. 1946. 11p.

#### FROM THE LIBRARY SHELVES

- BREEDING CROP PLANTS, by H. K. Hayes and R. J. Garber. Mc-Graw-Hill, 1927.
- CHILD PSYCHOLOGY FOR PROFESSIONAL WORKERS, by F. M. Teagarden. Prentice-Hall, 1940. 6 p. 320 T220
- A COOPERATIVE ECONOMY, by B. Y. Landis. Harper, 1943. 193p. 280.2 L23C DIVIDED WE STAND, by W. P. Webb. Farrar & Rinehart, 1937. 239p. 280.12 W38
- FOREST ECONOMICS AND FINANCE, by P. E. Buttrick. Wiley, 1943. 484p. 99.7 898.
- HANDICRAFTS OF THE SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS, by A. H. Eaton. Pussell Sage Foundation, 1937. 370p. 283 Ea8
  - HERES: THEIR CULTURE AND USES, by R. E. Clarkson. Macmillan, 1944. 226p. 97.21 056H
  - HOW TO BE A FOREST RANGER, by E. M. Steele. McBride, 1943. 215p. 99.61 St3
  - HOW TO FILE BUSINESS PAPERS AND RECORDS, by Allen Chaffee. McGraw-Hill, 1938.
  - HOW TO TRAIN SUPERVISORS, by R. O. Beckman. Harper, 1944. 329p. 249 B38
  - INTRODUCTORY ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, by A. L. Anderson. Macmillan, 1943. 777p.
  - THE MANTING OF TOMORROW, by Raoul de Roussy de Sales. Reynall & Hitchcock, 1942.
  - IMTHERATI S OF ACCOUNTING, by A. B. Curtis and J. H. Cooper. Prentice-Hall, 1941. 479p. 325 C942.
  - NEW AGE SOCIOLOGY, by E. A. Ross. "D. Appleton-Century, 1940. 597p. 280 R73N REVOLUTION IN LAND, by Charles Abrams., Harper, 1939. 320p. 282 Ab8
  - RURIL ROADS TO SECURITY, by Rt. Rev. Msgr. L..G. Ligutti and Rev. J.C. Rawe.

    Bruce, 1940: 387p. 231.2 L62
  - THE STORY OF KING COTTON, by H. Dickson. Funk & Wagnalls, 1937. 309p. 281.372 D56



